

HONG KONG BAPTIST UNIVERSITY
Undergraduate Halls, Student Accommodation Section, Office of Student Affairs
General Information of Green Quest 2017-18 (城林綠影)

The Undergraduate Halls believe GREEN is a living style in striving for balance and aiming for economic, social, and environmental sustainability. Green Quest is an annual green program organized by the Undergraduate Halls to enhance green awareness of HKBU students through seminar series and overseas experiential tour.

I. Program Structure

Part 1: The Green Foundation- Seminar Series and Training
(February 2018 - April 2018)

- Local seminar series by professional speakers on issues like environmental problems, social issues, urban development and planning.
- Workshops to brainstorm on how the green effort could be enhanced in Hong Kong and at the HKBU.

Part 2: The Green Journey- Overseas Experiential Green and Cultural Tour
(21 May 2018 – 3 June 2018)

- Experiential Green and Cultural Tour to Denmark (Copenhagen) and Sweden (Malmö).
- Includes cultural tours, firm visits, field works and meetings with Scandinavian students and experts.
- Students will have hands-on experience and develop new understandings to how green initiatives could be implemented into everyday life, from the infrastructure and system, city planning, government policy to culture and lifestyle.
- Students will take away how sustainable thinking could be combined with economic and social factors under local context.

**Part 3: The Green Giving-
Sharing Session (October 2018)**
Green Quester Program (2018-19)

- After the Green Journey, students will share their experience and insights from the tour and pass the green message forward.
- Students will be invited to join the Green Quester which is a team of past Green Quest participants working to deliver green programs in the Undergraduate Halls.

II. Program Fee

- (1) Green Foundation Seminars (Part 1 ONLY): Free- of- charge and recognized as CCL program.
- (2) FULL Green Quest program (Part 1 to Part 3): <refers to *IV. Important Timeline* for payment details>

(i) **Program Fee: \$9,880** (includes \$3,000 as Non-Refundable Program Fee Advance Payment)

- Program Fee includes round trip airfare, airport tax & fuel surcharge, group insurance, all travel expenses in Denmark and Sweden and TWO of the group dinners.

- Other beverage and food and any other expenses incurred out of the itinerary as designed by the Undergraduate Halls, are to be borne by the participants.

- Program fees are estimates only and are subject to change, depending on the exchange rate.

- Mainland and Overseas Expedition Fund (MOEF) is a subsidy to sponsors students to mainland and overseas expeditions organized by the Office of Student Affairs (SA). Eligible participants will be automatically included to the scheme and the subsidy will be used to cover the cost of the individual awardees. The listed program fee (\$9,880) takes into account subsidy from MOEF. If the student is sponsored by MOEF in other programs organized by SA, please contact the organizer for the program fee that applies.

- Eligible participants under this program may apply for HKSAR Reaching Out Award (ROA) to cover the cost of the individual awardee in the program. To avoid double benefit, if the participant is eligible to both ROA and the abovementioned MOEF, subsidy from ROA will be deducted from the cost of program prior to the consideration of Mainland and Overseas Expedition Fund (MOEF).

- Any excess in program fees will be refunded after the program.

(ii) **Refundable deposit \$1,000**

- Refundable to participants attended at least two out of three seminars AND the pre-departure training session.

III. Application Details

- (1) Eligibility: Open to all degree seeking UGC funded Undergraduate students at HKBU.
- (2) Application: Submit the completed Application Form on or before 10 November 2017 (1:00pm). Please specify on the email subject "Application to Green Quest".
- (3) Assessment: Short-listed candidates will be invited to attend an interview.

IV. Important Timeline

Information Session	19 October 2017 (Thursday), 7pm
Application Deadline	10 November 2017 (Thursday), 1pm
Interview	14 to 16 November 2017
Result Announcement	By 17 November 2017
Non-Refundable Program Fee Advance Payment (\$3,000)	By 24 November 2017 (Friday), 3 pm
Program Briefing Session	Either 15 January 2018, 2:30pm-3pm OR 16 January 2018, 2:30pm-3pm
Program Fee Balance Payment (\$7,880*) <*includes the \$1,000 deposit refundable subject to participation rate to the seminar and training sessions>	By 16 January 2018 (Friday), 3 pm
Seminar Series	February to April 2018 (Thursdays) <Dates are tentative and subject to changes> Seminar 1: 8 February Seminar 2: 1 March Seminar 3: 22 March
Pre Departure Workshop and Training Session	19 April 2018 (Thur), 7pm-9:30pm
Overseas Tour (inclusive of the flight schedule)	21 May to 3 June 2018
Post Trip Sharing	October 2018

Note:

- Schedule is subject to changes, please refer to the announcement from the Undergraduate Halls for updates.
- Applicants please check your email regularly.

V. Important Note

- (1) HKSAR passport holders have been granted visa-free access to Denmark and Sweden. Please make sure there is at least 6 months validity on your passport. If you are not HKSAR passport holder, please check carefully if any visa is required. Any fee incurred from visa application/renewal is not included in the program fee.
- (2) The overseas trip will be covered by the Group Travel Insurance contracted by the University. Students might apply for top up coverage on their own expenses, if deem necessary.
- (3) The Undergraduate Halls reserves the right in revising the program dates and any other details. Revision will be announced through email once confirmed.
- (4) The Undergraduate Halls reserves the right in terminating the participation of any participants with any inappropriate attitude or / and behavior.